

MINUTES
JACKSON COUNTY COUNCIL
January 20, 2010

Council President Fountain called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Sheriff Marc Lahrman did the swearing in of the Council. Councilwoman Hackman led us in the Lords Prayer and Councilman Thompson led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Councilman Fountain, Councilman Thompson,
Councilman Brewer, Councilwoman Hackman,
Councilman Murphy, Councilman Prange

Others Present: Sheriff Marc Lahrman, Attorney Susan Bevers,
Auditor Debra Eggeman

Councilman Prange made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2009 minutes as presented. Councilman Murphy seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

Councilman Thompson made distribution on the General Obligation Bond timeline.

Councilwoman Hackman made a motion to appoint Councilman Fountain as President for 2010. Councilman Murphy seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

Councilwoman Hackman made a motion to appoint Councilman Murphy as Vice for 2010. Councilman Prange seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

Council President Fountain made the first reading of the additional appropriation requests. Councilwoman Hackman made a motion to approve upon first reading. Councilman Brewer seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin appeared before Council requesting additional appropriations as follows:

- (1) \$5,000.00 from the Capital Projects Fund (164) for work on bridge 213A. Councilman Murphy made a motion to approve the request. Councilwoman Hackman seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.
- (2) \$60,643.00 from the Motor Vehicle Highway Fund (2) for the purchase of equipment. Councilman Murphy made a motion to approve. Councilwoman Hackman seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

Councilman Prange made a motion to waive the third reading of the additional appropriation requests and approve as on the second reading. Councilman Murphy seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

Councilwoman Hackman stated that it has been brought to her attention that Council has never defined whom Financial Advisor Eric Reedy reports to. Councilman Prange stated that his feelings are that Mr. Reedy should advise either the Council President or Commissioner President and the assignments should come from one of the boards.

Councilman Brewer made a motion to reclassify the position of the Plan Commissioner to an Executive I. Councilwoman Hackman seconded. Councilman Brewer explained that Plan Commissioner Mike Weir has taken over the code enforcement duties as well as the duties of GIS Administrator and has not been compensated for these additional duties. Councilwoman Hackman made a motion to put the issue on the agenda for the March meeting of the County Council to allow time for job description to be updated. Councilman Murphy seconded. Four (4) yes votes, motion carried. Councilman Murphy and Councilman Fountain voted no.

County Council made the following board appointments:

- 1) Jackson County Plan Commission – Charlie Murphy will replace Brian Thompson. (4-year term)
- 2) Alcoholic Beverage Board – Reappoint Gerald Hackman. (1-year term)
- 3) Jackson County Industrial Development Corporation – Reappoint Matt Reedy.
- 4) Ambulance Services Authority Board – Reappoint Greg Prange. (4-year term)
- 5) Jackson County Solid Waste Management Board – Reappoint Andy Fountain. (1-year term)
- 6) Jackson County Juvenile Home – Reappoint Matt Reedy. (1-year term)
- 7) Extension Board – Reappoint J.L. Brewer. (1-year term)
- 8) Emergency Management Board – Reappoint Debbie Hackman. (1-year term)
- 9) Seymour Economic Development Commission – Reappoint Tom Goecker. (4-year term)
- 10) Seymour Chamber of Commerce – Appoint Greg Prange. (1-year term)

Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve all above board appointments. Councilman Brewer seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

Emergency Management Director Duane Davis informed Council of an agreement signed by Commissioners with CivicPlus to design and maintain a website for Jackson County. Duane explained that there would be no cost to the county for a two-year period. After the two-year period the fee for maintenance costs will be \$4,100.00 annually. Jackson County is under no obligation to continue with CivicPlus after the two-year period. It will be the responsibility of the office holders to update the information on the website as needed. CivicPlus will hold a one-day training session for office holders at a cost of \$2,800.00. Councilman Brewer stated that he attended a meeting with Duane and feels it is a win win situation. Human Resource Director Jeff Hubbard stated that there would be funds to transfer from the insurance account to cover the cost for training.

Councilman Fountain stated that Assessed Values have now been submitted to the Department of Local Government Finance.

Sheriff Marc Lahrman submitted the jail report for December 2009.

Juvenile Detention Center Director Connie Schrader submitted her inspection report along with the monthly report for December 2009.

Commissioner Jerry Hounshel was in attendance and stated that the Detention Center is operating now at half the cost as when it first opened.

The meeting adjourned.

Andy Fountain – President

Debra Eggeman - attest